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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of: )  
Evans et al. )  
Serial No.: )  
Filed: Herewith )  
For: MEANS FOR THE MODULATION OF )  
PROCESSES MEDIATED BY )  
RETINOID RECEPTORS AND )  
COMPOUNDS USEFUL THEREFOR )

HON. COMMISSIONER  
OF PATENTS & TRADEMARKS  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application prior to  
examination as follows:

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1-29 and replace with claims 30-50  
as follows:

30. A method of activating expression of apolipoprotein  
A1 to modulate lipid metabolism in a subject, said method  
comprising administering to said subject an effective amount of 9-  
cis-retinoic acid.

31. A method for in vivo modulation of skin-related  
processes in a subject, said method comprising administering to  
said subject an effective amount of 9-cis-retinoic acid.

32. A method according to claim 31, further comprising  
administering a potentiating, effective amount of interferon- $\alpha$   
along with said 9-cis-retinoic acid.